

WASHINGTON STATE BAR ASSOCIATION

BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING

Minutes

Seattle, WA

January 28, 2020

At 12:00 PM, President Majumdar announced to the public that there would be a five-minute delay to the start of the meeting. The meeting of the Board of Governors of the Washington State Bar Association (WSBA) was called to order by President Rajeev D. Majumdar on Tuesday, January 28 at 12:05 PM at the offices of the Washington State Bar Association, Seattle, Washington. Governors in attendance were:

Hunter M. Abell

Sunitha Anjilvel

Daniel D. Clark

Peter J. Grabicki

Jean Y. Kang

Russell Knight

Bryn Peterson

Kyle D. Sciuchetti

Alec Stephens

Paul Swegle

Judge Brian Tollefson (ret.)

Also in attendance were Immediate Past President William D. Pickett, Interim Executive Director Terra Nevitt, General Counsel Julie Shankland, Chief Financial Officer Jorge Perez, Chief Disciplinary Counsel Doug Ende, Executive Administrator Shelly Bynum, and Enoka Herat (ACLU-WA).

Review Endorsement of Proposal for Comment to RPC 4.4

Chair Don Curran of the Committee on Professional Ethics presented the recommendation of the Committee as presented in the materials. He noted that per his phone conversation with the proponents, the revised language was agreeable. He also noted that the Committee's suggestion that WSBA request that the Supreme Court extend the comment period for the rule change was not agreeable to the proponents. Gov. Grabicki moved to endorse the proposed comment to RPC 4.4 as revised and to pass it on to the Supreme Court. There was no public comment.

Discussion followed. Motion passed 6-2 with Governors Peterson and Swegle abstaining. Gov. Sciuchetti was not present for the vote.

CPE Request to the Supreme Court to Extend Comment Time

Rule proponent Enoka Herat, Police Practices and Immigration Counsel at the ACLU of Washington, provided comment against the request to extend comment time. Gov. Tollefson moved to request an extension of time for other stakeholders to make comment. Discussion followed. Motion passed 6-4. Gov. Sciuchetti was not present for the vote.

Amended Meeting Schedule Resolution

Pres. Majumdar presented the amended meeting schedule resolution as provided in the materials. Gov. Grabicki moved for its adoption. Motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business and no need for an executive session, the meeting was adjourned at 1:40 PM on Tuesday, January 28, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

Terra Nevitt
WSBA Interim Executive Director & Secretary